GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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Payment of Fee under RTI
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for payment of fee under the Right to Information Act, 2005 through Electronic Indian Postal Order (E-IPO);

(b) the number of people registered so far to avail such facility; and

(c) the State-wise details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS &
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) Department of Posts is facilitating acceptance of RTI fee through electronic Indian Postal Order (e-IPO) on ePost Office Web Portal. Initially, this facility was launched on 22.03.2013 only for Indian Citizens abroad to seek information from the Central Public Information Officers (CPIOs) under the RTI Act, 2005. Later on, in order to facilitate for obtaining the information under the RTI Act,2005 by the Indian citizen living abroad from Indian Missions/ Posts under Ministry of External Affairs, the facility of e-IPO was extended to 176 Indian Missions/Posts on 27.09.2013. e-IPO facility was further extended to Indian Citizens living in India on 13.02.2014 to facilitate them to pay RTI fee online.

(b) Till 15.03.2017, 12484 people have registered since inception to avail this facility out of which 714 are from abroad.

(c) State-wise details of 11770 people from India is attached as Annexure-'I'.

Annexure-'I'
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State No. of Users
Andhra Pradesh 726
Arunachal Pradesh 10
Assam 227
Bihar 248
Chhattisgarh 141
Delhi 1183
Goa 26
Gujarat 537
Haryana 506
Himachal Pradesh 111
Jammu and Kashmir 41
Jharkhand 201
Karnataka 937
Kerala 359
Madhya Pradesh 328
Maharashtra 1144
Manipur 6
Meghalaya 11
Mizoram 5
Nagaland 11
Orissa 267
Punjab 322
Rajasthan 463

Sikkim 4
Tamil Nadu 1284
Telangana 474
Tripura 16
Uttar Pradesh 1287
Uttarakhand 153
West Bengal 742
Total 11770
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